Change in Timings of Hatia-Amirtsar Express

4315. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether due to change in timings of Hatia-Amritsar Express, the difficulties of the passengers of that area (Bihar State) have increased;

(b) if so, whether the representations have been received to change the revised time of the train; and

(c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken in the regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) The revised schedule of 8601/8101/8102/8602 Hatia-Amritsar Express has reduced the journey time of the train by 3 hours 35 minutes in one direction and 6 hours in the other.

(b) Representations have been received from some passengers indicating local difficulties of a few stations.

(c) Examined but not found justified in the overall interest of the passengers.

[*Translation*]

Official Language Implementation Committee

4316. SHRI LALIT ORAON: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the official language implementation committee has been constituted in his Ministry;

(b) if so, the number of meeting of the said Committee held during the last two years separately; and

(c) the recommendations made by the committee in regard to propagation of Hindi in the Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b). Three.

(c). Recommendations made in the meetings of the Committee include promoting use of mechanical aids, like typewriters, word processors and computers in Devanagri greater use of the official language Hindi in noting and drafting: compliance of the various provision of Official Languages Act; efforts for achieving the targets laid down in the Annual Programme by the Department of Official Language; maintenance of separate records of correspondence in Hindi and English; encouraging the staff for progressive use of Hindi through workshop from the time to time; raining the staff in Hindi stenography and Hindi typing and maximum utilistion of their services.

[*English*]

Export of Foodgrains

4317. KUMAR PUSHPA DEVI SINGH: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to export foodgrains during 1992-93;

(b) if so, the total quantum of rice and wheat from the Central Pool allocated for export during the above period; and export?

(c) The countries to which the rice and wheat is being exported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI TARUN GOGOI): (a) to (c). The export of basmati rice is on Open General Licence (O. G. L.) There is no proposal at present to export non-basmati rice and wheat during 1992-93.

Stoppage of Brahmputra and North-East Express at Pathshala Station

4318. SHRI PROBIN DEKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a demand from passengers and other organisations for stoppage of Brahmaputra mail and North-East Express at Pathshala Station;

(b) if so, the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government thereon; and

(c) if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAY (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Examined but not found feasible due to lack of commercial justification.

Opening of Hospitals and C. G. H. S. Dispensaries

4319. SHRI PROBIN DEKA:
SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government contemplate to open more hospitals and C. G. H. S. Dispensaries in the country in view of the difficulties being faced by the patients;

(b) if so, the places where hospitals and dispensaries are likely to be opened in the country during the current years; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It is proposed to open more dispensaries in the 8th Five Year Plan. There is no proposal to open any new hospital under CGHS in the country. A digestion on the location of dispensaries will be taken after 8th Plan outlay is finalised.

(c) In view of reply given at (b) above, the question does not arise.

Alleged Bunglings in W. U. S. Centre of Delhi University

4320. SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether bunglings have been unearthed in W. U. S. health centre of Delhi University;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action has been taken against guilty persons;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (e). According to the information furnished by the University of Delhi, the outgoing Chief Medical Officer of the W. U. S. Health Centre has made certain allegations regarding irregularities in the purchase of medicines etc. against some employees